

# City of Seattle

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULE NOTICE

### Proposed Rule Making

The Chief of the Seattle Fire Department proposes to revise existing administrative rules under the provisions of Seattle Municipal Code 3.02.

**Administrative Rule 9.01.10 - *Certification for Installing, Maintaining and Testing Life Safety Systems and Equipment*.** The proposed rule revises the certification categories for testing of fire and life systems.

**Administrative Rule 9.02.10 - *Confidence Test Requirements for Life Safety Systems*.** The proposed rule clarifies documentation and service tag requirements, and deletes the allowance for building owners to perform their own confidence test of fire escapes.

**Administrative Rule 9.03.10 - *Automatic Sprinkler and Standpipe Systems*.** The proposed rule clarifies requirements for sprinklers on balconies and decks, sprinkler head replacement, sprinklers in storage units without full height walls, sprinkler systems in live/work units, and hydrostatic testing and bracing requirements for sprinkler system modifications. The proposed rule also clarifies standpipe requirements.

**Repeal - Administrative Rule 9.04.10 – *Emergency Radio Communication Enhancements*.** The Seattle Fire Department proposes to repeal this Administrative Rule. The rule provided criteria for when a fire department radio system was used as an alternative to an approved two-way, fire department communication system. The requirements for such systems have been incorporated into the text of the 2009 Seattle Fire Code and so this rule is no longer needed.

**Administrative Rule 9.09.10 – *Visible Alarm Notification Devices*.** The proposed rule clarifies the requirements for new fire alarm systems and for alteration, replacement or upgrades of existing fire alarm systems in existing buildings.

**Administrative Rule 34.02.10 – *Decommissioning Residential Heating Oil Tanks*.** The proposed rule outlines the process for administering the Seattle Fire Code requirements for decommissioning or removing residential heating oil tanks.

**Administrative Rule 34.03.10 – *Flammable Liquid Storage and Use in Basement Level Laboratories*.** The proposed rule provides an alternative that allows for increased quantities of flammable and combustible liquids within laboratories located below the ground floor.

Copies of the above proposed draft rules are available for review on the Seattle Fire Department web page at [www.seattle.gov/fire](http://www.seattle.gov/fire) or in person at the Seattle Fire Department Fire Prevention Division, 220 3 Avenue South, Seattle.

Interested persons may present data or views concerning proposed rule revisions in writing to Asst. Chief John Nelsen, Fire Marshal, ATTN: L. Kilpatrick, Seattle Fire Dept., 220 3 Ave S,

Seattle WA 98104 or sending comments to [lynne.kilpatrick@seattle.gov](mailto:lynne.kilpatrick@seattle.gov). The Seattle Fire Department will accept written comments through September 27, 2010.

The Fire Code Advisory Board will review the proposed Administrative Rule changes at their meeting scheduled for 1:00 PM on Tuesday, September 28, 2010. The meeting is held in the Alki Room – Floor 2, Seattle Fire Department Headquarters, 301 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South, Seattle.

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